

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON, D.C.

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RE: 2019-11-156

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SENT VIA EMAIL

Dear Ms. Best:

This letter acknowledges your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, dated November 13, 2019. You seek the following:

"a copy of the list or printout or database listing of Inspector General investigations closed/reports completed during calendar year 2014. If the list is organized by FY rather than calendar year, the FY 2014 list is sufficient for this request. If no central list or database exists, then I request copies of the cover sheet or first page of each IG report completed during calendar year 2014."

I have initiated a search within Departmental Offices (DO), for records that would be responsive to your request. I will make every effort to provide you with a timely response; however, please be advised that unusual circumstances exist regarding the search for and review of potentially responsive records. The unusual circumstances are due to the consultation required between two or more program offices and/or a search is expected to result in voluminous records and/or a search is required to be conducted for records stored in field offices or warehouses off site; therefore, an additional processing extension of (10) days is required to process your request. As with all FOIA requests, I invite you to consider contacting our office to discuss limiting the scope of your request which could significantly reduce the processing time of your request.

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You may reach me via telephone at 202-622-0930, extension 2; or via email at <u>FOIA@treasury.gov</u> with regards to the processing of your request within DO. Please reference the FOIA number on the first page of this letter when contacting our office about this request.

Sincerely,

Michelle Henshaw FOIA Case Manager, FOIA and Transparency Privacy, Transparency, and Records (PTR)